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Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter is in response to your questions forwarded through Jim Fiorillo, of Science Application, Inc., and will serve to describe the proposed disturbance associated with drilling holes T6, T7 & T8. Access to both drill holes will be accomplished using a road or trail which has been constructed sometime in the past. This trail will be bladed to clear it of rocks. I have enclosed a photo showing the present condition of the trail. This road is presently used by cattlemen and cattle for grazing and I believe that they also use it as access to the top of Gentry Mountain. For this reason, once we have upgraded this road for our drilling program we will allow the road to remain to serve as access for these people, as well as for ourselves to do further geology and examination of the area surrounding our proposed portals.

The drilling operation will be conducted using either mud or an air and foam mixture as a drilling medium. In either case the drilling medium will act as a dust suppresent preventing significant amounts of airborne dust. The drilling pads size will be that area of the trail required for truck mounted drill and mud pits if necessary will be limited to a size of approximately 10' by 20'. As far as possible all disturbance will be limited to the existing trail with the only exception being mud pits which will be located on the uphill side of the trail.

Northwest is committed to reclaiming the drill sites in a manner comensurate with the present land use, which is wildlife habitat and grazing. Drilling and reclamation will be conducted as outlined on Northwest Carbon's Exploration and Reclamation Plan, received by you on April 21, 1980.

If you will refer to the map you will note that several roads have been constructed on this property. These roads predate Northwest Carbon Corporation's ownership of the land in Trail Canyon and were done

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by others. I mention this to clarify the amount of disturbance caused by Northwest during our drilling program and to avoid any misunderstandings which might result. This letter should be considered as an attachment to our existing exploration plan and I appreciate your prompt response to our previous letter.

Sincerely,

Al Amundson Chief Engineer

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Attachments



